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# ANNUAL REPORT

During the past year thirty-one regular and adjourned meetings of the Trustees have been held. Miss Margaret T. Walsh, stenographer and clerk of the Placing-Out and Office Division, was appointed secretary of the Board at the meeting of May 10, 1916. The standing committees are:—

*Committee on Finance.* — ALL MEMBERS OF THE BOARD.

*Committee on Schools.* — MISS NEEDHAM, MR. BACIGALUPO and Dr. ROSENBERG.

*Committee on Placing-Out Division.* — MISS FOLEY, MR. GINSBURG and MISS NEEDHAM.

*Committee on Releases.* — The CHAIRMAN, Dr. ROSENBERG and Mr. MURPHY

*Committee on Legislation.* — MR. BACIGALUPO, MISS FOLEY and Mr. GINSBURG.

The members of the Board serve on the Visiting Committee for the Suffolk School for Boys. The Trustees also visit the children placed out in families and institutions at intervals.

The children under the care of the Board are classed as follows: —

(a.) Delinquent children at the Suffolk School for Boys (Rainsford Island) and probationers therefrom.

(b.) Depend and Neglected children boarded or placed free in families (usually in the country,) and a number in the care of schools for defectives or other hospitals or institutions not under the management of the Trustees, where they have been placed for training or hospital treatment at the expense of this Department.

The total number of children now in the care of the Department is 1,489 or 15 more than at the beginning of the year, divided as follows: —

|  |              |
|--|--------------|
| In the Suffolk School for Boys.....                | 97           |
| On probation from the Suffolk School for Boys..... | 355          |
| Dependent children.....                            | 810          |
| Neglected children.....                            | 227          |
| Total.....   | <u>1,489</u> |

The total number of children admitted to the care of the Department during the year was 276, divided as follows: —

|                          |            |
|--------------------------|------------|
| Delinquent children..... | 53         |
| Dependent “.....         | 191        |
| Neglected “.....         | 32         |
| Total .. ..              | <u>276</u> |

The total number of children discharged from the Department during the year was 261, divided as follows: —

|  |            |
|--|------------|
| From the Suffolk School for Boys.....        | 1          |
| “ Suffolk School for Boys, probationers..... | 56         |
| “ Dependent and Neglected children.....      | 204        |
| Total .. ..                                  | <u>261</u> |

One hundred thirty-one boys from the Suffolk School for Boys were released on probation.



## FINANCIAL STATEMENT.

The total net cost of maintenance of the Children's Institutions Department for the year was \$170,764.50, which, divided among the whole average number of children (1,485) makes an average per capita expense of \$114.99 for the year, or \$2.20 per week.

An analysis of the expenses of the Placing-Out and Office Division, and the Suffolk School for Boys, is given in Tables 2B to 2F, inclusive.

The net cost of the Placing-Out and Office Division, with its estimated share of the office expenses amounted to \$123,977.67. This includes a credit of \$1,462.54 on account of the decrease in the inventory of clothing on hand February 1, 1917, from the inventory of the year previous.

Of this amount, \$11,202.86 has been paid for the board of children in the Massachusetts Hospital School at Canton and the Massachusetts State Infirmary.

The remainder, \$112,774.81, has been paid for an average of 672 children boarded in families and an average of 262 children in free homes. Taking together all children placed in families (934) we find the average per capita cost for the year to be \$120.74, or \$2.30 per week.

The total net cost of caring for the delinquent children was \$45,320.09, of which \$43,284.89 was used for the Suffolk School for boys, including an estimated share of the office expenses, \$500. Deducting \$5,322.75 as a portion of the amount spent for permanent improvements and furnishings, the average per capita cost for each boy actually in the Institution (131) was \$289.79 for the year, or \$5.54 per week.

The remainder, \$2,039.20, represents the amount expended on the visitation of boys on probation in their own homes and homes in the country, the clothing furnished by the Placing-Out and Office Division to some of these boys when going to country homes, and board paid for an average of three boys for the year. Taking together all delinquents, both in the Suffolk School for Boys and on probation (an average of

463,) the average per capita cost for year was \$97.89, or \$1.87 per week.

During the year five children attending High and Agricultural school were assisted from the Sawyer Fund Income to the amount of \$74.76, the money being expended for clothing and transportation.

From the special appropriation for repairing wharf, fire protection, etc., at the Suffolk School for Boys, we have expended \$7,640.64, leaving a balance for further work of \$402.70.



## THE SUFFOLK SCHOOL FOR BOYS.

### REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES.

The Suffolk School for Boys is located at Rainsford Island, Boston Harbor. The aim of the school is to make the juvenile offenders therein committed strong and healthy and to awaken in them an interest in study. It also endeavors to teach the older boys a trade in order that they may become self-supporting upon their release.

The Trustees invite your attention to the detailed account of the Industrial work in the Superintendent's report that follows.

A serious interruption in the making of shoes was caused by fire destroying the shop, an account of which is also contained in the same report. The Trustees highly commended the boys for their excellent work during the fire and awarded extra merits to them in appreciation of the services rendered in this emergency.

The pupils in the school class-rooms have made their usual progress during the year, giving an exhibition at the close of the June term as customary out of doors, to which friends were invited.

The necessity of good reading is recognized and is always encouraged and the boys are responsive to its influence. In addition to the school library, the Boston Public Library gives a regular deposit of books, and generously supplies us with the best juvenile periodicals and magazines for which the Trustees wish to express their gratitude.

There is a resident physician employed here to look after the health of the boys as well as a Dentist who visits the school at intervals.

The pupils here receive religious instruction. Rev. Father James Bric, S.J. conducts the Catholic services, assisted in his

Catechism work by volunteer young women and young men Rev. George E. Stokes conducts the Protestant services, and Mr. N. I. Goodman instructs the Hebrew boys.

The Trustees take this opportunity to thank all who devote time and energy to this spiritual work, as well as those who have assisted in the entertainment of the boys.

In return the boys are most responsive to the interest taken in them, and they try hard to keep the high resolutions made when at school. In the report of the Parole-Agent, together with the tables of statistics which is included, may be seen the direct results of this training.

We are now living in critical times. Times that call for loyalty and true patriotism. Here it may be said that scarcely a day passes in which some boys—former pupils of the Suffolk school—do not offer their services and enroll and enlist as volunteers in their Country's defense; so that if true patriotism is the test of good citizenship, then these boys have been weighed in the balance and have not been found wanting.

## REPORT OF THE SUPERINTENDENT OF THE SUFFOLK SCHOOL FOR BOYS.

Boston, Feb. 1, 1917.

*To the Trustees for Children:—*

In accordance with the prescribed duties of the Superintendent, I have the honor to submit my annual report for the year ending January 31, 1917.

### STATISTICS.

|   |   |     |     |
|---|---|-----|-----|
| Number of boys in the School Feb. 1, 1916 | . | 144 |     |
| “ committed during the year               | . | 53  |     |
| “ returned from probation                 | . | 32  |     |
|   |   | —   | 229 |
| “ released on probation                   | . | 131 |     |
| “ died . . . . .                          | . | 1   |     |
|   |   | —   | 132 |
|   |   |     | —   |
| in the School Jan. 31, 1917               |   |     | 97  |

Average daily attendance . . . . . 124

“ age of boys committed . . . . . 13.6 years  
 “ “ released . . . . . 14.9 “  
 “ length of time spent in the School 13.5 mos.

Weekly cost per capita . . . . . \$5.86

The average daily attendance has decreased from 136 to 124. There have been 53 commitments from the various courts, a decrease of 52 in numbers from last year. There have been 32 boys returned from probation the same number as last year. One was committed for Truancy under Chapter 738, Acts of



1914. There were 131 released on probation and one died at Long Island Hospital.

Except for one misfortune the year has been one of uninterrupted progress. There have been no runaways or attempts to escape. On the night of December 21st, 1916, our shoe factory was totally destroyed by fire. Machines and stock to the value of \$10,000 were demolished. This accounts for the decreased amount of the income of this industry for this year and for the increased appropriation.

A revenue of \$4,354.30 was secured to us from the sale of the products of our several industries. For permanent improvements and new machinery the sum of \$1,522.75 was expended.

#### HEALTH

The health of both the boys and officers has been unusually good. We exercised extreme precaution during the outbreak of the infantile paralysis in the city proper in not allowing any children to be brought to the island by visiting parents. I append the report of the resident physician;

Boston, Feb. 1, 1917.

To Supt. J. J. Ryan, *Suffolk School for Boys* :—

According to custom, I herewith submit my report of work done in the Medical Dept. for the year just passed. There have been 700 cases treated in the Dispensary, also regular dental supervision by the visiting dentist. It has been necessary to send only nine cases to Long Island Hospital. One died there of typhoid fever which he contracted supposedly from eating raw mussels picked up on the beach. There were three cases of fracture. We were fortunate in not having a case of anterior poliomyelitis. The general health of the boys has been good.

Yours respectfully;

RIVES TATUM, M. D.

*Resident Physician*

#### SCHOOL DEPARTMENT.

Our work in the school rooms has been carried on the same as last year. One change took place in the teaching force. I have come to a conclusion that a change in the time and length

of the teaching terms should be made which would act to the greater advantage of the boys, since they are here all the year around. At present the vacation periods correspond to the vacations of the Boston public schools, which means a long period of the year with no school activities. It would be a much better arrangement it seems to me to have the school year divided into four terms of ten weeks each with three weeks vacation between each term, or increase the remuneration of the teachers and reduce the number of weeks vacation between each term to one or two weeks. The boys enjoy their school work, and in most cases the additional amount of schooling obtained in making this change would result to the advantage of the pupil.

There was the usual exhibition of school, industrial and farm work accomplished during the year. The closing exercises were held as usual out of doors and consisted of recitations, chorus work and drills. An orchestra furnished music and the usual collation was served.

The school equipment is good. The reading is supplemented by books and magazines from the Boston Public Library.

#### INDUSTRIES.

As stated elsewhere in this report a fire destroyed our shoe factory. The boys deserve great credit for the aid they rendered in attempting to check the progress of the flames, their decorum during the excitement and the good spirit manifested. Great strides have already been made towards re-establishing this great educational as well as remunerative industry.

Late in the year we were obliged to make a change in our force of instructors owing to the resignation of Mr. George F. Clark who has been in charge of the classes of printing almost since the establishment of the institution. Mr. Clark's work both in printing and among the boys was of the highest order, and his absence will be long felt. The classes in carpentry have done considerable new work of a more or less permanent nature as well as the general repairs constantly necessary about the institution.

The farmers have supplied us with vegetables, milk, pork, eggs, fowl etc., as follows;

|                     |        |         |
|---------------------|--------|---------|
| Milk .....          | 17,800 | pounds  |
| Eggs .....          | 1,780  | dozen   |
| Pork .....          | 4,900  | pounds  |
| Fowl .....          | 640    | "       |
| Hubbard squash..... | 2,500  | "       |
| Summer squash.....  | 1,100  | "       |
| Pumpkin.....        | 2,000  | "       |
| Rhubarb .....       | 3,000  | "       |
| Radishes .....      | 35     | bushels |
| Lettuce .....       | 250    | "       |
| Beet greens.....    | 40     | "       |
| Green peas .....    | 28     | "       |
| Onions .....        | 45     | "       |
| String beans.....   | 60     | "       |
| Beets .....         | 40     | "       |
| Cucumbers.....      | 65     | "       |
| Green corn .....    | 1,100  | dozen   |
| Cabbage .....       | 1,400  | heads   |
| Carrots .....       | 50     | bushels |
| Tomatoes .....      | 40     | "       |
| Turnips .....       | 35     | "       |
| Parsnips .....      | 45     | "       |
| Spinach.....        | 50     | "       |
| Peppers.....        | 3      | "       |
| Parsley.....        | 10     | "       |
| Endive.....         | 100    | "       |
| Celery .....        | 500    | bunches |
| Apples .....        | 6      | barrels |

The tailors have cut and made garments as follows: —

|                    |     |
|--------------------|-----|
| Shirts .....       | 292 |
| Pants .....        | 44  |
| Overalls .....     | 85  |
| Towels .....       | 475 |
| Tablecloths .....  | 9   |
| Aprons.....        | 29  |
| Night shirts ..... | 152 |
| Pillow slips.....  | 223 |
| Napkins.....       | 36  |
| Sheets .....       | 60  |

They have made 14,085 repairs on garments and darned 4,620 pairs of stockings.

#### RELIGIOUS

The religious services have been conducted as usual by Rev. James J. Bric, S.J., and Rev. George E. Stokes, D.D. and Mr. N. I. Goodman with their efficient corps of Sunday School teachers.

#### IMPROVEMENTS

Cement seats, walks and curbings have been constructed. The roofs of wooden buildings have been shingled. New fire



escape has been put up at the Cottage. New lawns have been made. A new system for fire protection is well under way.

#### GENERAL

This is the first report since the installation of the new budget system and accounts for the change in form of Table Number 2 F. This system has made it necessary to increase the book-keeping at the island to a considerable extent.

The prices of all commodities during the past year have increased, the daily attendance has been low, consequently the per capita cost has slightly increased. There are thirty employees regularly at the institution and with a daily average attendance of 124 boys, the cost of raw food has been .1517, or fifteen and a fraction cents per day. The supplies from the farm increased the cost to 18 cents.

#### RECOMMENDATIONS

With the exception of the change in the school year recommended elsewhere, my recommendations are identical with those listed in the report of last year.

#### CONCLUSIONS

I desire to take the opportunity to thank the artists who entertained the boys during the year, the officers who ably co-operated with me, and the Trustees for their visits, interest and wise advice.

Respectfully submitted,

JOHN J. RYAN,

*Superintendent.*



## REPORT OF PAROLE AGENT OF SUFFOLK SCHOOL FOR BOYS

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Boston, Feb. 1, 1917.

*To the Trustees for Children :-*

A report of his duties as Parole Agent of the Suffolk School for Boys herewith submitted for the year 1916-17.

|                                       |      |     |
|---------------------------------------|------|-----|
| Number of boys on probation . . .     | 312  |     |
| “ released on probation . . .         | 131  | 443 |
| Number of boys returned by Trustees . | 32   |     |
| “ discharged . . . . .                | 56   |     |
| Now on probation . . . . .            | 355  | 443 |
| Number of boys on probation at home   | 305  |     |
| “ in country homes . . . .            | 46   |     |
| “ free in institutions . . . .        | 4    | 355 |
| Number of visits to boys homes . .    | 965  |     |
| “ in country homes . . . .            | 125  |     |
| “ of boys to office . . . . .         | 1800 |     |
| Number of visits to courts            |      |     |
| account probationers                  | 76   |     |
| Situations procured . . . . .         | 22   |     |
| Boys in boarding homes . . . . .      | 3    |     |
| “ free homes . . . . .                | 37   |     |
| “ receiving wages . . . . .           | 33   |     |

Parole Agent also visited 52 other boys who are in the care of this department as neglected and dependent children. To these children about 4 visits each were made during the year. Visits were made to hospitals with boys. All boys that abscond from the country are located by Agent. Visits are also made to older boys in care of other visitors of the Department when these boys are not behaving, thus giving helpful suggestions towards the correction of their faults.

Respectfully yours,

EDWARD J. O'MARA

*Parole Agent*

## THE PLACING OUT AND OFFICE DIVISION

## REPORT OF TRUSTEES.

The Children's Institutions Department, through the Placing Out Division aims to maintain the care of dependent and neglected Children of the City of Boston.

The child is the highest asset of the City, State or Nation.

In the realization of the fact that the prosperity of any country must depend upon the quality of its citizenship, together with the consideration that the dependent and neglected children form a great part of the population, it will be perceived that no efforts should be spared in the treatment of our wards to bring the very best results. This argument is particularly emphasized at the present time when great sacrifices and demands are exacted by war, likewise it shows an urgent necessity of the conservation of youth—for these children soon grow up and become the future citizens assuming the responsibilities of life, so it is upon them we must rely for the defense of our country.

This fact is evinced from the appended report of the General Agent, in his citation of the young boys who have gallantly enlisted in their Country's service at the call for volunteers. Mention also deserves to be made in this connection that a brave ward of the City of Boston was the first to sacrifice his life in our previous conflict with Mexico.

It is also worthy of attention in the General Agent's report to note the number of girls and boys that have graduated from the Grammar Schools and are continuing their studies in advanced schools.

The children entrusted to our care are boarded out in families, and the selection of these homes for the children of different ages must always remain a conscientious duty, involved with high responsibility, while the whole work needs the most careful supervision. It is a fundamental principle and an established truth that no conceivable combination of personalities can ever furnish a better environment for the child

than the family - for be it ever so poor and lowly "there's no place like home." The home is the natural abode for childhood. The home spirit and feeling should always be encouraged for its development of the affections; in consequence our efforts to provide such a home for the children as a substitute for the one of which they have been deprived by the death of their parents and other reasons, should be prudent, critical and courageous. In many of these homes in which they have been placed, these little children have so endeared themselves to the families and the "mothers" have grown so attached to them that they are most anxious to adopt them. The children highly appreciate kindness and are most grateful when they know one is ready to take their part. Their place in life is hard and their pathway is beset by many obstacles, bereaved, as many of them are of their natural protectors. They must depend upon the hand of the stranger, and when they see other more fortunate children accompanied by kind parents, they must suffer heartburnings and humiliations. Hence too much care and study cannot be expended to secure the proper homes and surroundings for these children.

It is now, and has long been the policy of the Trustees, and they insist upon its strict observance, that every child must be placed in a home of the same religious belief as that of its parents, and that he must be brought up and instructed in his religion. The good health of the children is of great importance, and the surroundings conducive to this are potent factors in the selection of the homes. This precaution is necessary, particularly with the infants. At the solicitation of your Trustee, copies of the pamphlet on "Infant Care," published by the Childrens' bureau in Washington containing valuable instruction and information on the care of infants and young children, were sent by the Bureau at no expense to us to every boarding home wherein lived young children. The Trustees wish to express their thanks for the same.

The school life of the children is interesting. When visiting the children the Trustees call at the schools attended by



them. It is often gratifying to hear high words of commendation from their teachers, and at the same time it is delightful to see the little pupils' faces brighten at this well-merited praise, thus showing how readily they respond to words of encouragement and affection.

The Trustees take this opportunity to express their appreciation to all who aided and helped by their kindly co-operation. The work of caring for and safe-guarding the children, is of the highest importance and is well worth the thought and study that must be expended in its attainment; its value is immeasurable. In the words of a noted author: "There are many girls full of high hopes, great possibilities and earnest plans, pausing a moment before they push their little boats from the safe shore. Let those who launch them see to it that they have good health to man the oars, good education for ballast, and good principles as pilots to guide them as they voyage down an ever-widening river to the sea."

# REPORT OF THE GENERAL AGENT FOR THE PLACING-OUT AND OFFICE DIVISION.

BOSTON, Feb. 1, 1917.

*To the Trustees for Children:—*

Following out the time-honored regulation, the General Agent of the Placing-Out and Office Division of the Children's Institutions Department submits his report for the year ending January 31st, 1917. The division places out minor wards of the City of Boston and provides for their care, custody and control. They are classed under three heads:

*Dependent Children.* Those whose parents or relatives, on account of misfortune or illness, are unable to care for them.

*Neglected Children.* Commitments from the courts, owing to the neglect or uncertain habits of parents or guardians.

*Juvenile Delinquents.* Boys between the ages of 8 and 17, on probation from the Suffolk School for Boys during their minority, or for any less term.

On January 31st, 1917, the end of our year, there were 1392 children in custody of this division, classed as follows:.

## DEPENDENT CHILDREN.

|  |       |
|--|-------|
| In boarding houses . . . . .                 | 553   |
| In free homes . . . . .                      | 183   |
| In hospitals or other institutions . . . . . | 74    |
|  | — 810 |

## NEGLECTED CHILDREN.

|  |       |
|--|-------|
| In boarding homes . . . . .                  | 137   |
| In free homes . . . . .                      | 82    |
| In hospitals or other institutions . . . . . | 8     |
|  | — 227 |

## JUVENILE DELINQUENTS

|   |       |
|---|-------|
| In their own homes . . . . .              | 297   |
| In free homes . . . . .                   | 35    |
| In boarding homes . . . . .               | 3     |
| Self-supporting . . . . .                 | 6     |
| In penal institutions . . . . .           | 4     |
| Absconded (whereabouts unknown) . . . . . | 10    |
|   | — 355 |

There were 326 applications for admission during the year as Dependent Children. Of these 123, or 37.73 percent were accepted, in addition to 23 applications held over from the previous year; 21 were withdrawn, and 33 cases are awaiting further action or require additional investigation. There were referred to other agencies or institutions 147 cases (See table No. 15).

There were 32 Neglected Children committed from the various courts to the custody and care of the department.

Immediate attention is given to all children when they are received at the office. As much as possible of the family history is secured and the legal settlement established. The little ones are cleansed and clothed and a thorough examination is made by our physician. The office lists of homes are consulted, a suitable one is selected and the department visitors take the new wards to their future homes. If hospital treatment is necessary or a special home is suggested, one is selected where particular cases have been successfully handled. They are always placed in families of the same religion as that of their parents, in accordance with a well-established rule of the Board of Trustees. Substantial clothing is sent with every child. Every three months visits of inspection are made and every effort is used to insure contentment and happiness for the little ones. The boarding homes are instructed to communicate at once with the General Agent should any serious illness or accident occur which might endanger their welfare. Correspondence through the office is encouraged between children and parents and relatives.

Juvenile Delinquents on parole from the Board of Trustees are returned to their parents or placed in country homes and work secured for them. They are encouraged to be self-supporting and to look forward seriously to the responsibilities of their approaching manhood. Quarterly visits are made to them by an agent of the department.

Two cases of appendicitis were skilfully treated at the Boston City Hospital. Minor sicknesses were cared for by the local physicians and a few cases were transferred to our City Hospital in order to ward off any illness of a serious character. During the general epidemic of Infantile Paralysis



throughout the State no cases were reported to us. This is a splendid proof that our wards are well looked after and a compliment to our excellent homes and care-taking foster-mothers. As a matter of precaution, a circular containing hints to parents and guardians from the literature of the Boston Board of Health was printed and a copy sent to every one of our boarding homes. A great many small operations for the removal of tonsils and adenoids have been arranged for and successfully carried out for the benefit of the future health of the children.

As in previous years, continued interest and inspection of the teeth has been given by our visitors and the Forsyth Dental Infirmary has again proven its value and efficiency to the children of our City. Outside of Greater Boston, local dentists have given the department the benefit of special prices.

Five major accidents occurred, all of which were successfully treated and were followed by no serious results. One boy, in the act of placing lead on the railroad truck, was struck by an engine and sustained a fracture of the skull. While playing ball after school another boy had an arm broken. Another boy, working in a mill, had one finger and a part of another taken off. With the kind assistance of Mr. Walter J. O'Malley of the Corporation Counsel's office, a substantial amount of money was secured through the Workmen's Compensation Act. A little girl, slipping from a chair, had her collar bone dislocated. A colored boy, while playing in an old boat, was accidentally drowned.

Imbued with patriotic ardor, two of our self-supporting boys, with the permission of the General Agent, enlisted in the Second Regiment Infantry, Massachusetts National Guard for Service on the Mexican border and returned after an interesting experience. Another boy enlisted, but his physical condition not being up to the standard, was rejected. Two more boys entered service in the United States Navy and enjoying their new duties.

The education of the young people has been diligently looked after and every opportunity has been sought to encourage



them to avail themselves of the advantages offered in the different schools.

A number of promising children have been permitted to continue their studies after reaching the age usually looked upon as self-supporting.

During the year 16 girls and 20 boys over fourteen years of age were continued in boarding homes while attending school, a decrease over the preceding period of 4 girls and an increase of 10 boys.

Of the whole number of girls attending school, 23 or 46.94 percent were in advanced schools, 22 being in high school and 1 in an Industrial School. Of the boys, there were 18 or 48.64 percent in advanced schools, 17 in high school and 1 in a Business College.

The increase in the cost of everything used in the care of the children has made heavy inroads in our appropriations and it is only through the loyal co-operation of our boarding homes that we have been able to carry the division along without serious complications. An increase in the boarding home allowances is absolutely necessary.

Illegitimacy and Feeble-Mindedness still remain the hardest problems. It is a most difficult task to secure homes for the feeble-minded. The State schools are crowded and we are obliged to secure private boarding homes. These are only obtained by effecting special arrangements with people who are willing to assume the responsibility of caring for this class of defectives.

Through the generosity of the Boston City Hospital our whooping cough cases have been cared for and when the new hospital at West Roxbury will have been completed, one source of worry will be removed.

The assistance freely given by the officials of the Boston City, Massachusetts General, Long Island, Boston Floating and Children's Hospitals and the Massachusetts Eye and Ear Infirmary has been much appreciated and our thanks are due for their favors.

To the members of the Overseers of the Poor of Boston and of other cities and towns and to the Catholic Charitable Bureau, the Division is greatly indebted for many good offices

During the year three changes have occurred in the office force: Misses Ellen F. McCarty, Anna F. Callaghan and Joseph Halper, after good and faithful service, resigning on account of business reasons. They were succeeded by Misses Katherine G. McBride, Helen M. O'Neill and Walter W. Englert, drawn from the Civil Service Lists.

For their continued confidence and support, I offer my sincere thanks to the several members of the Board of Trustees and to the members of the office force, I extend my appreciation for their loyalty and enthusiastic co-operation.

Respectfully yours,

GEO. F. H. MURRAY,

*General Agent.*

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The report of the Trustees for Children, including report of Officers of the Department is respectfully submitted.

JOHN O'HARE, *Chairman.*

ELIZABETH M. NEEDHAM.

LOUIS A. GINSBURG.

JAMES J. BACIGALUPO.

MARGARET FOLEY.

ISAAC G. ROSENBERG.

JAMES P. MURPHY.

## APPENDIX.

### GENERAL AND FINANCIAL STATISTICS.

TABLE NO. 1.

*Comparisons of Admissions, including Court Commitments, for the past Ten Years.*

| YEAR.     | DEPENDENT. | NEGLECTED. | TRUANTS. | JUVENILE OFFENDERS. | TOTAL |
|-----------|------------|------------|----------|---------------------|-------|
| 1907..... | 190        | 32         | 139      | 125                 | 486   |
| 1908..... | 197        | 21         | 104      | 125                 | 447   |
| 1909..... | 208        | 32         | 91       | 89                  | 420   |
| 1910..... | 195        | 10         | 66       | 66                  | 337   |
| 1911..... | 242        | 24         | 54       | 94                  | 414   |
| 1912..... | 117        | 35         | 92       | 107                 | 351   |
| 1913..... | 137        | 32         | 70       | 92                  | 331   |
| 1914..... | 139        | 38         | 38       | 107                 | 322   |
| 1915..... | 147        | 34         | ..       | 105                 | 286   |
| 1916..... | 191        | 32         | ..       | 53                  | 276   |

During the year there were 85 juvenile offenders committed to the Suffolk School for Boys, 32 of whom had previously been released on probation.

Including these recommitments, there was a total of 308 children admitted during the year.

TABLE NO. 1 A.

Total in Charge by Classes and Present Placing at the end of Years 1913, 1914, 1915, and 1916.

|   | 1913.          | Percent. | TOTAL | Percent. | 1914.          | Percent. | TOTAL | Percent. | 1915.          | Percent. | TOTAL | Percent. | 1916.          | Percent.       | TOTAL. | Percent. |
|---|----------------|----------|-------|----------|----------------|----------|-------|----------|----------------|----------|-------|----------|----------------|----------------|--------|----------|
| DEPENDENT AND NEGLECTED CHILDREN.             |                |          |       |          |                |          |       |          |                |          |       |          |                |                |        |          |
| Boarded in families . . . . .                 | 463 }<br>104 } | 63.14    | . . . | . . .    | 496 }<br>122 } | 62.43    | . . . | . . .    | 537 }<br>126 } | 65.13    | . . . | . . .    | 553 }<br>137 } | 53.32<br>13.21 | . . .  | . . .    |
| Indentured in families (free homes) .         | 178 }<br>78 }  | 28.50    | . . . | . . .    | 197 }<br>88 }  | 28.78    | . . . | . . .    | 190 }<br>83 }  | 26.82    | . . . | . . .    | 183 }<br>82 }  | 17.65<br>7.91  | . . .  | . . .    |
| In Institutions . . . . .                     | 68 }<br>7 }    | 8.36     | . . . | . . .    | 76 }<br>11 }   | 8.79     | . . . | . . .    | 70 }<br>12 }   | 8.66     | . . . | . . .    | 74 }<br>8 }    | 7.14<br>.77    | . . .  | . . .    |
|   |                |          | 898   | 57.36    |                |          | 990   | 69.77    |                |          | 1,018 | 69.07    |                |                | 1037   | 69.64    |
| JUVENILE OFFENDERS.                           |                |          |       |          |                |          |       |          |                |          |       |          |                |                |        |          |
| In Suffolk School for Boys . . . . .          | 122            | 30.27    | . . . | . . .    | 121            | 28.21    | . . . | . . .    | 144            | 31.58    | . . . | . . .    | 97             | 21.46          | . . .  | . . .    |
| At home on probation . . . . .                | 223            | 55.34    | . . . | . . .    | 251            | 60.84    | . . . | . . .    | 267            | 58.55    | . . . | . . .    | 297            | 63.71          | . . .  | . . .    |
| Boarded in families on probation . . . . .    | 4              | .99      | . . . | . . .    | 2              | .47      | . . . | . . .    | 4              | .88      | . . . | . . .    | 3              | .66            | . . .  | . . .    |
| Indentured in families on probation . . . . . | 32             | 7.94     | . . . | . . .    | 30             | 6.99     | . . . | . . .    | 21             | 4.60     | . . . | . . .    | 35             | 7.74           | . . .  | . . .    |
| Lost sight of . . . . .                       | 14             | 3.47     | . . . | . . .    | 13             | 3.03     | . . . | . . .    | 16             | 3.29     | . . . | . . .    | 10             | 2.91           | . . .  | . . .    |
| Doing for themselves . . . . .                | 2              | .50      | . . . | . . .    | 1              | .23      | . . . | . . .    | 4              | .88      | . . . | . . .    | 6              | 1.33           | . . .  | . . .    |
| In Penal Institutions . . . . .               | 6              | 1.49     | . . . | . . .    | 1              | .23      | . . . | . . .    | 1              | .22      | . . . | . . .    | 4              | .39            | . . .  | . . .    |
|   |                |          | 403   | 25.84    |                |          | 429   | 30.23    |                |          | 456   | 30.93    |                |                | 452    | 30.36    |
| Total . . . . .                               | . . .          | 100.00   | 1,560 | 100.00   | . . .          | 100.00   | 1,419 | 100.00   | . . .          | 100.00   | 1,474 | 100.00   | . . .          | 100.00         | 1,489  | 100.00   |



TABLE NO. 2.

*Average Number of Children in Care of the Department during the Year.*

|   |          |
|---|----------|
| Average number of Dependent and Neglected Children in Free Homes . . . . .      | 262      |
| Average number of Dependent and Neglected Children in Boarding Homes . . . . .  | 672      |
| Average number of Dependent and Neglected Children in Institutions . . . . .    | 88       |
| <hr/>   |          |
| Total average number of Dependent and Neglected Children . . . . .              | 1,022    |
| <br>  |          |
| Average number of Juvenile Offenders in Suffolk School for Boys . . . . .       | *123     |
| Average number of Juvenile Offenders on Probation from Suffolk School . . . . . | **332    |
| <hr/>   |          |
| Total average number of Juvenile Offenders . . . . .                            | 455      |
| <br>  |          |
| Total average in care of the Department . . . . .                               | ***1,477 |

\* The average in number the School from Feb. 1, 1916 to Feb. 1, 1917 was 123  
The average number from December 1, 1915 to December 1, 1916, was 131

\*\* Of this number an average of 35 were placed by the Placing-Out Division in country homes, for three of whom board was paid.

\*\*\* As the expenditures of the Department cover the latter period, and the other averages do not materially change, we have used the financial year's average in estimating expenses, i. e. a total average for the Department of 1,485.

TABLE NO. 2 A.

*Total and Average Cost of the Two Divisions.*

|   |                     |
|---|---------------------|
| Placing-Out and Office Division . . . . .   | \$129,959 37        |
| Suffolk School for Boys . . . . .   | 47,191 19           |
| Total . . . . .   | <u>\$177,150 56</u> |
| Income from the two Divisions, (cash and bills forwarded to the City Collector,) . . . . .                      | 6,386 06            |
| Total net cost . . . . .  | <u>\$170,764 50</u> |
| Average per capita cost of total number of children (1,477) under our care for the year . . . . .               | <u>\$115 62</u>     |
| Average per capita expense of total number of children per week . . . . .                                       | <u>\$2 20</u>       |
| Expended from Sawyer Marcella Street Home Fund Income . . . . .   | <u>\$74 76</u>      |
| Expended from special appropriation for Suffolk School for Boys, repairing Wharf, Fire protection, etc. . . . . | <u>\$7,640 64</u>   |

TABLE NO. 2 B.

*Office Expenses*

|                               |             |             |
|-------------------------------|-------------|-------------|
| Salaries :                    |             |             |
| Permanent employees           | \$12,294 95 |             |
| Temporary (local visitors)    | 340 61      |             |
| Unassigned                    | 36 30       |             |
|                               | <u></u>     | \$12,671 86 |
| Services other than personal  |             |             |
| Printing and binding          | \$25 00     |             |
| Printing                      | 285 75      |             |
| Postage                       | 471 59      |             |
| Expressage                    | 388 58      |             |
| Telephone                     | 135 23      |             |
| General Plant                 | 88 05       |             |
|                               | <u></u>     | 1,619 20    |
| Office equipment (typewriter) | 109 35      | 109 35      |

## Supplies :

|                              |          |                    |
|------------------------------|----------|--------------------|
| Office supplies (Stationery) | 163 58   |                    |
| Disinfectants                | 3 69     |                    |
| General Plant                | 132 38   |                    |
|                              |          | 299 65             |
| Special Items ; Pensions,    | 1,000 00 | 1,000 00           |
|                              |          | <u>\$15,700 06</u> |

## TABLE NO. 2 C.

*Placing-Out Division.*

|  |       |                     |
|--|-------|---------------------|
| Board of children (including an average of three probationers) |       | \$81,017 51         |
| Care of children in hospitals.                                 |       | 419 74              |
| Board of children at Massachusetts Hospital School, (average)  |       | 10,594 86           |
| Board of children at Massachusetts State Infirmary             |       | 608 00              |
| Transportation (Visitation and traveling expenses)             |       | 4,654 81            |
| Medical care, (physician and dentists)                         |       | 2,333 48            |
| Burials  |       | 54 65               |
| Wearing apparel and material for same.                         |       | 13,643 34           |
| Medical equipment, spectacles, etc.                            |       | 213 60              |
| Medical supplies (prescriptions, etc.                          |       | 427 15              |
| Toilet articles, etc.  |       | 138 17              |
| Educational and recreational supplies                          |       | 54 65               |
| Fees. (admissions to hospitals)                                |       | 28 85               |
| Legal expenses account adoption ; Fees                         | 46 50 |                     |
| Advertising  | 24 00 | 70 50               |
|  |       | <u>\$114,249 31</u> |

## CREDITS.

|  |          |                     |
|--|----------|---------------------|
| Cash received account board of children, (sent to City Collector,)       |          | \$1,967 50          |
| Interest on Bank account (sent to City collector)                        | 12 26    |                     |
| Board paid for an average of 3 probationers                              | 360 06   |                     |
| Clothing furnished delinquents on probation                              | 179 14   |                     |
| Increase in inventory of clothing on hand Feb. 1, 1917 over Feb. 1, 1916 | 1,462 54 |                     |
|  |          | <u>\$3,981 50</u>   |
| Net total  |          | <u>\$110,277 89</u> |



TABLE NO. 2 D.

|  |                     |
|--|---------------------|
| Expenditures of Placing-Out Division . . .   | \$110,277 61        |
| Estimated proportion of office expenses expended<br>on this Division . . . . .                 | 15,700 06           |
|  | <u>\$125,937 67</u> |
| Estimated expenditures account Suffolk   |                     |
| School for Boys . . . . .  | \$1,500.            |
| Suffolk School probationers. . . . .   | 500.                |
|  | 2,000 00            |
|  | <u>123,937 67</u>   |
| Cost of board of children at other Institutions . .  | 11,202 86           |
| Net expenditures for dependent and neglected<br>children in homes (free and boarding). . . . . | <u>\$112,774 81</u> |

TABLE NO. 2 E.

|   |                     |
|---|---------------------|
| Total cost of dependent and neglected children<br>placed in families (average 934) . . . . .  | <u>\$112,774 81</u> |
| Per capita expense of dependent and neglected<br>children in families . . . . .   | <u>\$120 74</u>     |
| Of the average number of dependent and neglected<br>children boarded during the year (672), . . . . .   |                     |
| The average cost of board per capita was . . . . .  | \$120 02            |
| The average cost of clothing per capita (estimated), . . . . .  | 16 00               |
| The average cost of medical care per capita (esti-<br>mated). . . . .   | 4 82                |
| Total . . . . .   | <u>\$140 82</u>     |
| Of the total number of children placed-out in<br>families the average number boarded dur-<br>ing the year (including an average of 3<br>probationers) was . . . . . | 675                 |
| The average number on indenture (including<br>an average of 33 probationers) was . . . . .  | 275                 |
| The total average of children in country<br>homes (both free and boarding homes)<br>was . . . . .   | <u>950</u>          |
| The cost of board for these children was . . . . .  | \$81,017 51         |
| Clothing . . . . .  | 12,318 97           |
| Transportation . . . . .  | 4,654 81            |
| Medical care . . . . .  | 3,422 82            |
| Total . . . . .   | <u>\$101,414 11</u> |
| Per capita expense of children placed in families,<br>including these items . . . . .   | <u>\$106 75</u>     |

TABLE NO. 2 F.

*Suffolk School for Boys.*

|                               |                 |    |                    |
|-------------------------------|-----------------|----|--------------------|
| Salaries :                    |                 |    |                    |
| Superintendent                | \$2,000         | 00 |                    |
| Officers and Matrons          | 13,189          | 51 |                    |
| Teachers                      | 3,275           | 50 |                    |
|                               | <u>\$18,465</u> | 01 |                    |
| Temporary employees           | 83              | 33 |                    |
| Unassigned                    | 25              | 00 |                    |
|                               |                 |    | <u>\$18,573 34</u> |
| Service other than personal : |                 |    |                    |
| Postage                       | \$60            | 00 |                    |
| Transportation of persons     |                 | 90 |                    |
| Cartage and freight           | 9               | 29 |                    |
| Telephone                     | 83              | 34 |                    |
| Telephone, repairs on         | 105             | 15 |                    |
| Medical                       | 66              | 20 |                    |
| Fees, (sealing scales)        | 2               | 29 |                    |
| Testing materials (coal)      | 12              | 60 |                    |
| Horse shoeing                 | 32              | 00 |                    |
| General plant                 | 506             | 38 |                    |
|                               |                 |    | <u>878 15</u>      |
| Equipment :                   |                 |    |                    |
| Machinery                     | 150             | 00 |                    |
| Furnishings                   | 284             | 56 |                    |
| Educational and recreational  | 141             | 93 |                    |
| Office                        | 21              | 60 |                    |
| Medical and surgical          | 18              | 00 |                    |
| Tools and instruments         | 389             | 52 |                    |
| Wearing apparel               | 471             | 88 |                    |
|                               |                 |    | <u>1,477 49</u>    |
| Supplies,                     |                 |    |                    |
| Food                          | \$8,497         | 30 |                    |
| Fuel                          | 6,053           | 59 |                    |
| Forage and animal             | 1,892           | 22 |                    |
| Medical                       | 77              | 97 |                    |
| Laundry, cleaning and toilet  | 441             | 47 |                    |
| Educational and               | 71              | 80 |                    |
| Agricultural                  | 44              | 00 |                    |
| Motor vehicle (boat)          | 25              | 00 |                    |
| Chemicals and disifectants    | 7               | 78 |                    |
| General plant                 | 287             | 06 |                    |
|                               |                 |    | <u>17,398 28</u>   |
| Materials                     |                 |    |                    |
| Building                      | \$1,277         | 18 |                    |
| Electrical                    | 347             | 08 |                    |
| General plant                 | 55              | 92 |                    |
|                               |                 |    | <u>1,680 17</u>    |

TABLE NO. 2F. CONT.

## Industries

|   |            |             |
|---|------------|-------------|
| Shoemaking . . . . .                              | \$6,899 95 |             |
| Printing . . . . .                                | 284 43     |             |
|   | <hr/>      | 7,183 78    |
|   |            | \$47,191 19 |
| Estimated proportion of office expenses . . . . . |            | \$500 00    |
|   |            | <hr/>       |
|   |            | \$47,691 19 |

## CREDITS.

|  |            |             |
|--|------------|-------------|
| Income from Shoe shop  | \$3,877 30 |             |
| " " Printing   | 515 50     |             |
| " " Carpentry  | 17 50      |             |
| Total sent to City Collector   | <hr/>      | \$4,406 30  |
|  |            | \$43,284 89 |
| Deducting: Machinery bought to replace<br>that destroyed by fire                                 | \$1,022 75 |             |
| New smoke stack  | 300 00     |             |
| Finished and unfinished stock<br>destroyed by fire   | 3,500 00   |             |
| Permanent improvements   | 500 00     |             |
|  | <hr/>      | \$5,322 75  |
| Net total expenditures   |            | \$37,962 14 |
| Per capita expense of an average of 131 boys at<br>the Suffolk School during the year*           |            | 289 79      |
| Per capita expense per week  |            | 5 54        |
| Shoes made by the shoe shop for boys at the Inst.  | \$1,314 95 |             |
| Printing done by the Printing Office for the Inst.   | 148 90     |             |
|  | <hr/>      | \$1,463 85  |
|  |            | <hr/>       |
| The average number of boys at the Suffolk School from<br>February 1, 1916 to February 1 1917 was |            | 123         |
| The average number from December 1, 1915 to December<br>1, 1916 was                              |            | 131         |

\*As the expenditures of the Institution cover the period from December 1, 1915 to December 1, 1916, we have used the latter average in the above estimate.



TABLE NO. 3.

*Inventory, and Appraisal of Real and Personal Estate,  
January 31, 1917.*

OFFICE OF THE TRUSTEES AND PLACING-OUT DIVISION.

|  |                   |
|--|-------------------|
| Furniture, etc. . . . .                  | \$1,000 00        |
| Stationery and office supplies . . . . . | 300 00            |
| Clothing and dry goods . . . . .         | 3,313 00          |
|  | <hr/>             |
| Total . . . . .                          | <u>\$4,613 50</u> |

SUFFOLK SCHOOL FOR BOYS, RAINSFORD ISLAND.

|   |                    |             |
|---|--------------------|-------------|
| Land . . . . .  | \$21,000 00        |             |
| Buildings . . . . .   | 44,000 00          |             |
|   | <hr/>              | \$65,000 00 |
| Bedding, clothing and dry goods . . . . .                             | 3,000 00           |             |
| Household goods and furniture . . . . .                               | 5,000 00           |             |
| Coal . . . . .  | 2,500 00           |             |
| School equipment and supplies . . . . .                               | 600 00             |             |
| Agricultural Department, equipment and supplies .                     | 2,570 00           |             |
| Engineering Department, equipment and supplies,                       | 5,000 00           |             |
| Shoemaking Department, equipment and supplies .                       | 1,500 00           |             |
| Printing Department, equipment and supplies .                         | 2,000 00           |             |
| Carpentry and Cabinet Department, equipment and<br>supplies . . . . . | 2,000 00           |             |
| Power Boat, equipment and supplies . . . . .                          | 1,000 00           |             |
| Laundry Department, equipment and supplies .                          | 1,500 00           |             |
|   | <hr/>              |             |
| Total . . . . .   | <u>\$91,670 00</u> |             |



# STATISTICS OF THE SUFFOLK SCHOOL FOR BOYS.

TABLE NO. 4.

*Number Committed during the year ending January 31, 1917,  
Classified by Offences.*

## Offences against property :

|  | <i>Number.</i> | <i>Percent</i> |
|--|----------------|----------------|
| Breaking and entering . . . . .          | 4              | 4.72           |
| Breaking, entering and larceny . . . . . | 19             | 22.35          |
| Larceny . . . . .                        | 14             | 16.47          |
| Injury of building . . . . .             | 1              | 1.18           |

## Offences against the person :

|                                   |   |      |
|-----------------------------------|---|------|
| Assault and battery . . . . .     | 2 | 2.36 |
| Larceny from the person . . . . . | 1 | 1.18 |

## Other offences :

|                                |           |               |
|--------------------------------|-----------|---------------|
| Truancy . . . . .              | 1         | 1.10          |
| Stubbornness . . . . .         | 8         | 9.46          |
| Delinquent . . . . .           | 2         | 2.31          |
| Stealing a ride . . . . .      | 1         | 1.18          |
| Returned by Trustees . . . . . | 32        | 37.61         |
| Total . . . . .                | <u>85</u> | <u>100.00</u> |

TABLE NO. 4 A

*Commitments, Discharges, and Number of Inmates during the last Ten Years.*

|  | 1907 | 1908 | 1909 | 1910 | 1911 | 1912 | 1913 | 1914 | 1915 | 1916 |
|--|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|
| Total number in the Suffolk School for Boys<br>at the beginning of the years , , , | 120  | 145  | 142  | 137  | 115  | 138  | 127  | 122  | 121  | 144  |
| Total number committed , , ,   | 139  | 164  | 103  | 85   | 109  | 107  | 92   | 107  | 137  | 85   |
| Total number during each year . . .  | 259  | 309  | 245  | 222  | 224  | 245  | 219  | 229  | 258  | 229  |
| Total number discharged . . .  | 114  | 167  | 108  | 107  | 86   | 118  | 97   | 108  | 114  | 132  |
| Total number on the books of the Institution<br>at the close of each year . . .    | 145  | 142  | 137  | 115  | 138  | 127  | 122  | 121  | 144  | 97   |

TABLE NO. 5.

Number Released on Probation and Discharged during the Year, and their Condition at end of Year.

|  | TOTAL | Doing well | Doing fair. | Conduct Poor. | Returned to the Suffolk School for Boys. |
|--|-------|------------|-------------|---------------|--|
| RELEASED ON PROBATION.                               |       |            |             |               |  |
| To home, to attend school . . . . .                  | 29    | 19         | 3           | .             | 7  |
| To home, to work . . . . .                           | 80    | 56         | 8           | 4             | 3  |
| To be indentured . . . . .                           | 22    | 13         | 4           | 2             | 3  |
| Total number released on probation . . . . .         |       |            |             |               |  |
|  | 131   | 97         | 15          | 6             | 13                                       |
| Total discharged and released on probation . . . . . |       |            |             |               |  |
|  | 131   |            |             |               |  |

TABLE NO. 6.

*Number Committed during the Year from each of the Court  
Districts of the City.*

|              |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |    |
|--------------|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|----|
| Roxbury      | ° | ° | ° | ° | ° | ° | ° | ° | 15 |
| South Boston | ° | ° | ° | ° | ° | ° | ° | ° | 9  |
| East Boston  | ° | ° | ° | ° | ° | ° | ° | ° | 8  |
| Dorchester   | ° | ° | ° | ° | ° | ° | ° | ° | 2  |
| Charlestown  | ° | ° | ° | ° | ° | ° | ° | ° | 1  |
| Juvenile     | ° | ° | ° | ° | ° | ° | ° | ° | 5  |
| West Roxbury | ° | ° | ° | ° | ° | ° | ° | ° | 6  |
| Chelsea      | ° | ° | ° | ° | ° | ° | ° | ° | 3  |
| Brighton     | ° | ° | ° | ° | ° | ° | ° | ° | 1  |
| Superior     | ° | ° | ° | ° | ° | ° | ° | ° | 3  |
|              |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   | 53 |
| Returned     | ° | ° | ° | ° | ° | ° | ° | ° | 32 |
| Total        | ° | ° | ° | ° | ° | ° | ° | ° | 85 |

TABLE NO. 7.

*Nativity, and Nativity of Father, of Boys Committed during  
the Year.*

| WHERE BORN.                           | NATIVITY. | PERCENT. | NATIVITY<br>OF FATHER | PERCENT. |
|---------------------------------------|-----------|----------|-----------------------|----------|
| Boston.....                           | 54        | 63.53    | 5                     | 5.88     |
| Elsewhere in Massa-<br>chusetts ..... | 15        | 17.65    | 1                     | 1.18     |
| Elsewhere in United<br>States.....    | 5         | 5.88     | 12                    | 14.13    |
| Foreign.....                          | 11        | 12.94    | 62                    | 72.93    |
| Unknown.....                          |           |          | 5                     | 5.88     |
| Total.....                            | 85        | 100.00   | 85                    | 100.00   |



TABLE NO. 8.

*Number Committed by Months during the Year.*

|                |    |                  |    |
|----------------|----|------------------|----|
| February, 1916 | 3  | September, 1916  | 13 |
| March,       “ | 9  | October,       “ | 5  |
| April,       “ | 5  | November,   “    | 9  |
| May,       “   | 9  | December,   “    | 2  |
| June,       “  | 5  | January, 1917    | 10 |
| July,       “  | 10 |                  |    |
| August,     “  | 5  | Total            | 85 |

TABLE NO. 9.

*Age of Boys at Commitment and at Release on Probation during the Year.*

| AGE.              | Number<br>Committed. | Percent. | Number<br>Released. | Percent. |
|-------------------|----------------------|----------|---------------------|----------|
| 9   “   .....     | 1                    | 1.18     |                     |          |
| 10   “   .....    | 3                    | 3.53     | 2                   | 1.52     |
| 11   “   .....    | 4                    | 4.71     | 7                   | 5.30     |
| 12   “   .....    | 13                   | 15.30    | 6                   | 4.55     |
| 13   “   .....    | 12                   | 14.12    | 13                  | 9.85     |
| 14   “   .....    | 21                   | 24.70    | 21                  | 15.90    |
| 15   “   .....    | 13                   | 15.30    | 28                  | 21.21    |
| 16   “   .....    | 10                   | 11.75    | 29                  | 21.96    |
| 17   “   .....    | 7                    | 8.23     | 18                  | 13.64    |
| 18   “   .....    | 1                    | 1.18     | 6                   | 4.55     |
| 19   “   .....    |                      |          | 2                   | 1.52     |
| Totals .....      | 85                   | 100.00   | 132                 | 100.00   |
| Average age ..... | 13.6                 | ....     | 14.9                |          |

TABLE NO. 10.

*Boys Discharged or Released during the Year, Classified by  
Duration of Commitment.*

|                             |    |                             |     |
|-----------------------------|----|-----------------------------|-----|
| 7 months or less .....      | 13 | 17 months or less .....     | 8   |
| 8    "       "       .....  | 9  | 18    "       "       ..... | 7   |
| 9    "       "       .....  | 10 | 19    "       "       ..... | 3   |
| 10    "       "       ..... | 12 | 20    "       "       ..... | 1   |
| 11    "       "       ..... | 9  | 21    "       "       ..... | 2   |
| 12    "       "       ..... | 17 | 22    "       "       ..... | 0   |
| 13    "       "       ..... | 14 | 23    "       "       ..... | 3   |
| 14    "       "       ..... | 9  | 24    "       or over.....  | 4   |
| 15    "       "       ..... | 7  |                             |     |
| 16    "       "       ..... | 4  | Total.....                  | 132 |

Average number of months, spent in the Suffolk School  
for Boys by all boys discharged or released . . . 13.5

TABLE NO. 11.

*Conditions and Conduct at end of Year 1916 of all Boys on Probation outside the Suffolk School for Boys, subject to the Control of the Trustees.*

| CONDITIONS<br>AND CONDUCT.                         | In Institutions. | On Probation.<br>At home. | On Probation.<br>On indenture<br>and boarding. | On Probation.<br>Working inde-<br>pendently. | All boys on<br>probation. | Percent. |
|--|------------------|---------------------------|--|--|---------------------------|----------|
| Doing well . . . . .                               | 264              | 33                        | 5  | 302  | 85.07                     |          |
| Conduct fair . . . . .                             | 14               | 3                         | 1  | 28   | 7.89                      |          |
| Conduct unsatisfactory . . . . .                   | 9                | 2                         | ..   | 11   | 3.10                      |          |
| Have been in other penal<br>institutions . . . . . | 4                | ..                        | ..   | 4  | 1.12                      |          |
| Whereabouts and conditions<br>unknown . . . . .    | 6                | 4                         | ..   | 10   | 2.82                      |          |
| Total . . . . .                                    | 4                | 303                       | 42   | 6  | 355                       | 100.00   |

TABLE NO. 12.

*Status of all Boys under Twenty-one whose Names were on the Books of the Suffolk School for Boys from May 1, 1895, to January 31, 1917.*

|  |     |     |
|--|-----|-----|
| IN THE SUFFOLK SCHOOL FOR BOYS.....                                  | 97  |     |
| At home.....   | 262 |     |
| At home (attending school) .....                                     | 35  |     |
| Boarding .....   | 3   |     |
| Indentured (working) .....   | 33  |     |
| Indentured (at school) .....   | 2   |     |
| Working independently .....  | 6   |     |
| In penal institutions other than the Massachusetts Reformatory ..... | 4   |     |
| Lost sight of temporarily .....                                      | 10  |     |
|  | —   | 355 |

DISCHARGED FROM THE CARE OF THIS DEPARTMENT.

|  |     |       |
|--|-----|-------|
| Released to go out of State .....  | 106 |       |
| In United States Army .....  | 32  |       |
| In United States Navy and Marine Corps .....                               | 109 |       |
| In United States Revenue Cutter Service .....                              | 1   |       |
| Committed to Industrial School at Shirley .....                            | 16  |       |
| Committed to Massachusetts Reformatory this year, .....                    | 4   |       |
| Committed to Massachusetts Reformatory, former years .....                 | 213 |       |
| Deported .....   | 1   |       |
| Discharged to Massachusetts State Prison.....                              | 5   |       |
| "    to parents as unfit subjects.....                                     | 2   |       |
| "    to Sockanosset School .....   | 2   |       |
| "    to Lyman School.....  | 2   |       |
| "    to Parental School .....  | 2   |       |
| "    to Insane Hospital .....  | 2   |       |
| "    to School for Feeble-Minded .....                                     | 8   |       |
| "    to Home for Destitute Catholic Children .....                         | 2   |       |
| "    to Pauper Department.....   | 1   |       |
| "    on account of error in commitment ...                                 | 2   |       |
| "    on decision of Corporation Counsel ....                               | 1   |       |
| "    on writ of habeas corpus .....  | 3   |       |
| "    on order of Trustees.....   | 368 |       |
| Fine cases discharged at expiration of sentence or on payment of fine..... | 199 |       |
| Discharged on arriving at the age of twenty-one..                          | 362 |       |
| Died .....   | 42  |       |
|  | —   | 1,485 |

NAMES OCCURRING MORE THAN ONCE ON THE RECORDS.

|  |     |     |
|--|-----|-----|
| Returned to Suffolk School for Boys this year .....                  | 32  |     |
| Returned to Suffolk School for Boys previously ....                  | 309 |     |
| Recommitted to Suffolk School for Boys by the courts this year ..... | 1   |     |
| Recommitted to Suffolk School for Boys by the courts previously..... | 48  |     |
|  | —   | 390 |

Total ..... 2,327



TABLE NO. 13.

*Occupation of Boys outside of the Suffolk School for Boys (subject to the control of the Trustees) having Employment January 31, 1917.*

|                                  |    |                                 |       |
|----------------------------------|----|---------------------------------|-------|
| Errand boys . . . . .            | 14 | <i>Brought forward.</i> . . . . | 64    |
| Usher . . . . .                  | 1  | Check boys . . . . .            | 5     |
| Teamsters . . . . .              | 20 | Restaurant . . . . .            | 1     |
| Messenger boys . . . . .         | 5  | Paper boys. . . . .             | 3     |
| Porters . . . . .                | 6  | Tannery . . . . .               | 1     |
| Grocer boys . . . . .            | 7  | Clerks . . . . .                | 2     |
| Longshoremen . . . . .           | 3  | Drafting office . . . . .       | 1     |
| Laundry . . . . .                | 4  | Barber . . . . .                | 1     |
| Shippers . . . . .               | 3  | Farmers . . . . .               | 4     |
| Elevator boy . . . . .           | 1  |                                 |       |
|                                  |    |                                 | <hr/> |
|                                  |    |                                 | 82    |
| <i>Carried forward</i> . . . . . | 64 |                                 |       |

|                                 |       |
|---------------------------------|-------|
| Employed in factories . . . . . | 22    |
| “ stores . . . . .              | 10    |
| “ shoe shops . . . . .          | 18    |
|                                 | <hr/> |
|                                 | 50    |

|                          |       |
|--------------------------|-------|
| Machine shop . . . . .   | 13    |
| Garage . . . . .         | 3     |
| Upholstering . . . . .   | 1     |
| Printers . . . . .       | 2     |
| Ship-fitting . . . . .   | 4     |
| Marine firemen . . . . . | 1     |
| Electricians . . . . .   | 3     |
| Plumbers . . . . .       | 2     |
|                          | <hr/> |
|                          | 29    |
|                          | <hr/> |
| Total                    | 161   |

STATISTICS OF THE PLACING-OUT DIVISION.

TABLE NO. 14.

*Total Number of Investigations during the Year.*

| INVESTIGATIONS   | NUMBER | PERCENT |
|--|--------|---------|
| For admission .....  | 1,114  | 43.05   |
| Miscellaneous .....  | 1,020  | 39.41   |
| Of boarding homes .....  | 93     | 3.59    |
| Of free homes .....  | 57     | 2.20    |
| For adoptionan guardianship.....                                     | 4      | .16     |
| For release from Placing-Out Division .....                          | 137    | 5.29    |
| For release from Suffolk School For Boys (to<br>parent's homes)..... | 131    | 5.06    |
| For return to Suffolk School For Boys from<br>probation.....         | 32     | 1 24    |
| Total .....  | 2,588  | 100.00  |

TABLE NO. 15.

Disposal of Applications for Admission of Dependent Children during the Year.

| DISPOSAL.   | SETTLEMENT<br>IN<br>BOSTON. |           | SETTLEMENT<br>NOT IN<br>BOSTON. |           | SETTLEMENT<br>NOT<br>OBTAINED. |           | TOTAL. |          |
|---|-----------------------------|-----------|---------------------------------|-----------|--------------------------------|-----------|--------|----------|
|   | 1916.                       | Percent.  | 1916.                           | Percent.  | 1916.                          | Percent.  | 1916.  | Percent. |
|   |                             |           |                                 |           |                                |           |        |          |
| Admitted . . . . .                                      | 123                         | 68.32     | . . . . .                       | . . . . . | . . . . .                      | . . . . . | 123    | 87.73    |
| Pending . . . . .                                       | 33                          | 18.32     | . . . . .                       | . . . . . | . . . . .                      | . . . . . | 33     | 10.13    |
| Withdrawn . . . . .                                     | 12                          | 6.66      | . . . . .                       | . . . . . | 9                              | 81.82     | 21     | 6.44     |
| Referred to State Minor Ward Department . . . . .       | . . . . .                   | . . . . . | 121                             | 89.63     | 1                              | 9.09      | 122    | 87.43    |
| Mass. Society Prevention Cruelty to Children, . . . . . | . . . . .                   | . . . . . | 1                               | .74       | . . . . .                      | . . . . . | 1      | .30      |
| Home for Destitute Catholic Children . . . . .          | 1                           | .56       | 2                               | 1.48      | . . . . .                      | . . . . . | 3      | .92      |
| Long Island Hospital . . . . .                          | 1                           | .56       | . . . . .                       | . . . . . | . . . . .                      | . . . . . | 1      | .30      |
| Homeopathic Hospital . . . . .                          | 1                           | .56       | . . . . .                       | . . . . . | . . . . .                      | . . . . . | 1      | .30      |
| Boston City Hospital . . . . .                          | . . . . .                   | . . . . . | 1                               | .74       | . . . . .                      | . . . . . | 1      | .80      |
| Children's Aid Society . . . . .                        | 1                           | .53       | . . . . .                       | . . . . . | . . . . .                      | . . . . . | 1      | .30      |
| Children's Mission . . . . .                            | . . . . .                   | . . . . . | 1                               | .74       | . . . . .                      | . . . . . | 1      | .30      |
| State School for Feeble-Minded . . . . .                | 1                           | .56       | . . . . .                       | . . . . . | . . . . .                      | . . . . . | 1      | .30      |
| St. Joseph's Industrial School . . . . .                | 1                           | .56       | . . . . .                       | . . . . . | . . . . .                      | . . . . . | 1      | .30      |
| Overseers of Poor, elsewhere . . . . .                  | . . . . .                   | . . . . . | 4                               | 2.97      | . . . . .                      | . . . . . | 4      | 1.3      |
| State Infirmary . . . . .                               | . . . . .                   | . . . . . | 3                               | 2.22      | 1                              | 9.09      | 4      | 1.23     |
| Catholic Charitable Bureau . . . . .                    | 1                           | .53       | . . . . .                       | . . . . . | . . . . .                      | . . . . . | 1      | .30      |
| Provident Aid Society . . . . .                         | 4                           | 2.22      | . . . . .                       | . . . . . | . . . . .                      | . . . . . | 4      | 1.23     |
| Hebrew Charities . . . . .                              | 1                           | .55       | . . . . .                       | . . . . . | . . . . .                      | . . . . . | 1      | .30      |
| Little Wanderers' Home . . . . .                        | . . . . .                   | . . . . . | 2                               | 1.48      | . . . . .                      | . . . . . | 2      | .61      |
| Total . . . . .   | 180                         | 100.00    | 135                             | 100.00    | 11                             | 100.00    | 326    | 100.00   |

Twenty-three dependent children were admitted this year for whom application had been made last year.

TABLE NO. 16.

*Number of Dependent and Neglected Children Admitted during the Year.*

|                          | BOYS. | GIRLS. | TOTAL. |
|--------------------------|-------|--------|--------|
| Dependent Children ..... | 85    | 106    | 191    |
| Neglected Children ..... | 15    | 17     | 32     |
| Total.....               | 100   | 123    | 223    |

TABLE NO. 17.

*Nativity, Parent Nativity (Father), and Color of Children Received during the Year.*

|                         | DEPENDENT. |          | NEGLECTED. |          |
|-------------------------|------------|----------|------------|----------|
|                         | 1916.      | Percent. | 1916.      | Percent. |
| Native born .....       | 187        | 97.91    | 31         | 96.88    |
| Foreign born .....      | 4          | 2.09     | 1          | 3.12     |
| Total .....             | 191        | 100.00   | 32         | 100.00   |
| White .....             | 184        | 96.34    | 26         | 81.25    |
| Colored.....            | 7          | 3.66     | 6          | 18.75    |
| NATIVITY OF FATHER.     |            |          |            |          |
| Native born .....       | 53         | 27.75    | 9          | 28.12    |
| Canada and Provinces .. | 10         | 5.24     | 3          | 9.37     |
| Foreign born .....      | 91         | 47.64    | 13         | 40.63    |
| Unknown .....           | 37         | 19.37    | 7          | 21.88    |
| Total .....             | 191        | 100.00   | 32         | 100.00   |



TABLE NO. 18.

*Parental Relation of Children Admitted during the Year.*

|   | DEPENDENT. |          | NEGLECTED. |          |
|---|------------|----------|------------|----------|
|   | 1915.      | Percent. | 1915.      | Percent. |
| Had both parents .....                          | 81         | 42.41    | 15         | 46.88    |
| No parents .....                                | 8          | 4.19     |            |          |
| Father only .....                               | 33         | 17.28    | 6          | 18.75    |
| Mother only.....                                | 17         | 8.90     | 1          | 3.12     |
| Illegitimate.....                               | 52         | 27.22    | 10         | 31.25    |
| Total .....                                     | 191        | 100.00   | 32         | 100.00   |
| Step-mother.....                                |            |          |            |          |
| Father sick or disabled ...                     | 7          | ....     | 3          |          |
| Mother sick or disabled ...                     | 34         | ....     | 2          |          |
| Both parents sick or disabled .....             | 10         |          |            |          |
| Head of family out of employment .....          | 38         | ....     | 4          |          |
| Intemperate father.....                         | 23         | ....     | 10         |          |
| Intemperate mother .....                        | 7          | ....     | 3          |          |
| Both parents intemperate,                       | 2          | ....     | 8          |          |
| Parents separated .....                         | 31         | ....     | 8          |          |
| Members of family had been arrested .....       | 40         | ....     | 16         |          |
| Parents known to have received charitable aid.. | 92         | ....     | 17         |          |
| Parent mentally defective,                      | 28         | ....     | 4          |          |

TABLE NO. 19.  
*Applications for Release, to Parents or Friends, Received during the Year,*

|                                    | APPLICATIONS. |          | GRANTED. |          | REFUSED. |          | UNDER CONSIDERATION. |          | WITHDRAWN. |          |
|------------------------------------|---------------|----------|----------|----------|----------|----------|----------------------|----------|------------|----------|
|                                    | 1916.         | Percent. | 1916.    | Percent. | 1916.    | Percent. | 1916.                | Percent. | 1916.      | Percent. |
| Dependent children .....           | 104           | 47.71    | 83       | 49.70    | 6        | 18.18    | 7                    | 70.00    | 8          | 100.00   |
| Neglected children .....           | 33            | 15.14    | 27       | 16.17    | 3        | 9.09     | 3                    | 30.00    | .....      | .....    |
| From Suffolk School for Boys ..... | 81            | 37.15    | 57       | 34.13    | 24       | 34.88    | .....                | .....    | .....      | .....    |
| Total .....                        | 218           | 100.00   | 167      | 100.00   | 33       | 100.00   | 10                   | 100.00   | 8          | 100.00   |

TABLE NO. 20.

Ages of all Dependent and Neglected Children who were in Charge, Placed-Out, January 31, 1917.

| AGES.                        | BOARDED.   |       |            |       |                 | INDENTURED. |            |       |            |       | TOTAL OF BOTH FOR THE YEAR. | Percent. |                   |          |
|------------------------------|------------|-------|------------|-------|-----------------|-------------|------------|-------|------------|-------|-----------------------------|----------|-------------------|----------|
|                              | DEPENDENT. |       | NEGLECTED. |       | TOTAL BOARDING. | Percent.    | DEPENDENT. |       | NEGLECTED. |       |                             |          | TOTAL INDENTURED. | Percent. |
|                              | Girls.     | Boys. | Girls.     | Boys. |                 |             | Girls.     | Boys. | Girls.     | Boys. |                             |          |                   |          |
|                              |            |       |            |       |                 |             |            |       |            |       |                             |          |                   |          |
|                              |            |       |            |       |                 |             |            |       |            |       |                             |          |                   |          |
| Under 1 year . . . . .       | 6          | 5     | . .        | . .   | 11              | 1.59        | . .        | . .   | . .        | . .   | 11                          | 1.15     |                   |          |
| “ 3 years and over 1 . . . . | 49         | 26    | 1          | 1     | 68              | 9.86        | 1          | 1     | . .        | . .   | 70                          | 7.33     |                   |          |
| “ 5 “ “ 3 . . . .            | 39         | 26    | 9          | 3     | 77              | 11.16       | . .        | 1     | 1          | 1     | 80                          | 8.38     |                   |          |
| “ 10 “ “ 5 . . . .           | 100        | 112   | 28         | 35    | 275             | 39.83       | 6          | 4     | 2          | 3     | 290                         | 30.37    |                   |          |
| “ 12 “ “ 10 . . . .          | 42         | 56    | 8          | 16    | 116             | 16.81       | 4          | 3     | 3          | 1     | 127                         | 13.30    |                   |          |
| “ 15 “ “ 12 . . . .          | 35         | 62    | 17         | 16    | 130             | 18.84       | 12         | 10    | 3          | 5     | 160                         | 16.75    |                   |          |
| Over 15 . . . . .            | 3          | 7     | 2          | 1     | 13              | 1.88        | 55         | 86    | 31         | 32    | 217                         | 22.72    |                   |          |
| Total . . . . .              | 235        | 288   | 65         | 72    | 690             | 100.00      | 78         | 105   | 40         | 42    | 955                         | 100.00   |                   |          |

TABLE NO. 21

*Children Discharged during the Year.*

|                               | BOYS. | GIRLS. | TOTAL. |
|-------------------------------|-------|--------|--------|
| From Indenture .....          | 32    | 26     | 58     |
| From Boarding .....           | 51    | 47     | 98     |
| From other Institutions ..... | 21    | 27     | 48     |
| Total .....                   | 104   | 100    | 204    |

TABLE NO. 22.

*Discharged from Indenture during the Year.*

|   | BOYS. | GIRLS. | TOTAL. |
|---|-------|--------|--------|
| Arrived at age .....                      | 6     | 8      | 14     |
| Discharged to friends and relatives ..... | 10    | 10     | 20     |
| Married .....                             | ..    | 3      | 3      |
| Self-supporting .....                     | 16    | 4      | 20     |
| Committed to Institutions .....           | ..    | ..     | ..     |
| Adopted .....                             | ..    | 1      | 1      |
| Total .....                               | 32    | 26     | 58     |



TABLE NO. 23.

*Applications from People desiring to take Children to Board  
or on Indenture.*

| APPLICATIONS.            | BOARDING. | INDENTURE. |
|--------------------------|-----------|------------|
| Total received .....     | 116       | 98         |
| Approved .....           | 64        | 43         |
| Disapproved .....        | 17        | 5          |
| Withdrawn .....          | 12        | 9          |
| Filled .....             | 44        | 23         |
| Unfilled (on hand) ..... | 17        | 17         |

TABLE NO. 24.

*Transfers during the Year.*

|             |     |
|-------------|-----|
| Boys .....  | 253 |
| Girls ..... | 258 |
| Total ..... | 511 |

TABLE NO. 25.

*Transfers of Indentured Children during the Year.*

| TRANSFERS.                        | BOYS. | GIRLS. | TOTAL. |
|-----------------------------------|-------|--------|--------|
| From indenture to indenture ..... | 43    | 29     | 72     |
| From indenture to boarding .....  | 9     | 15     | 24     |
| Total .....                       | 52    | 44     | 96     |

TABLE NO. 26.

*Indentured for first time during the Year.*

| INDENTURED.               | BOYS. | GIRLS | TOTAL |
|---------------------------|-------|-------|-------|
| From office .....         | 1     | 2     | 3     |
| From boarding homes ..... | 33    | 22    | 55    |
| Total .....               | 34    | 24    | 58    |

TABLE NO. 27.

*Ages of Children Indentured (for first time) during the Year.*

| AGE.                    | BOYS.      |            | GIRLS.     |            | TOTAL. |
|-------------------------|------------|------------|------------|------------|--------|
|                         | Dependent. | Neglected. | Dependent. | Neglected. |        |
| Under 5 years . . . . . | 1          | 1          | 1          | 2          | 5      |
| 7 " . . . . .           | 2          | ..         | ..         | ..         | 2      |
| 9 " . . . . .           | 2          | ..         | 1          | ..         | 3      |
| 11 " . . . . .          | 1          | ..         | 3          | ..         | 4      |
| 12 " . . . . .          | 1          | ..         | ..         | 1          | 2      |
| 13 " . . . . .          | 2          | 1          | 1          | ..         | 4      |
| 14 " . . . . .          | 3          | 2          | 2          | 1          | 8      |
| 15 " . . . . .          | 6          | 2          | 3          | 3          | 14     |
| 16 " . . . . .          | 8          | ..         | 2          | 2          | 12     |
| 17 " . . . . .          | 2          | ..         | 1          | 1          | 4      |
| Total . . . . .         | 28         | 6          | 14         | 10         | 58     |

TABLE NO. 28.

Location of Children at Board and on Indenture January 31, 1917.

| LOCATION.           | BOARDED.                                   |                     |                                  |                             |   | IDENTURED.                                 |                     |                                  |                             |   |
|---------------------|--|---------------------|----------------------------------|-----------------------------|---|--|---------------------|----------------------------------|-----------------------------|---|
|                     | Number of towns where children are placed. | Number of children. | Greatest number in any one town. | Average number in one town. | Number of towns with more than five children. | Number of towns where children are placed. | Number of children. | Greatest number in any one town. | Average number in one town. | Number of towns with more than five children. |
| Massachusetts ..... | 105  | 686                 | *35                              | 7                           | 37  | 81   | 253                 | 40                               | 4                           | 8   |
| New Hampshire ..... | 2  | 3                   | 2                                | 1                           | ..  | 1  | 2                   | 2                                | 2                           | ..  |
| Vermont .....       | ..   | ..                  | ..                               | ..                          | ..  | 3  | 4                   | 2                                | 1                           | ..  |
| Rhode Island .....  | ..   | ..                  | ..                               | ..                          | ..  | 2  | 3                   | 2                                | 1                           | ..  |
| New York .....      | ..   | ..                  | ..                               | ..                          | ..  | 1  | 1                   | 1                                | 1                           | ..  |
| Connecticut .....   | 1  | 1                   | 1                                | 1                           | ..  | 1  | 1                   | 1                                | 1                           | ..  |
| Maine .....         | ..   | ..                  | ..                               | ..                          | ..  | 1  | 1                   | 1                                | 1                           | ..  |
| Total .....         | 108  | 690                 | 38                               | 9                           | 37  | 90   | 265                 | 49                               | 11                          | 8   |

\* Boston. Nearly all in special homes.

TABLE NO. 29.

*Classification of Homes January 31, 1917.*

| CLASSIFICATION.                          | BOARDING HOMES.     |                   |        | FREE HOMES.         |                   |        |
|--|---------------------|-------------------|--------|---------------------|-------------------|--------|
|  | Children Unrelated. | Children Related. | Total. | Children Unrelated. | Children Related. | Total. |
| Number of homes with one child . . . . . | 115                 | ..                | 115    | 186                 | ..                | 186    |
| “ “ two children . . . . .               | 36                  | 46                | 82     | 18                  | 6                 | 24     |
| “ “ three “ . . . . .                    | 21                  | 40                | 61     | 5                   | 1                 | 6      |
| “ “ four “ . . . . .                     | 9                   | 24                | 33     |                     |                   |        |
| “ “ five “ . . . . .                     | 5                   | 5                 | 10     | ..                  | 1                 |        |
| “ “ more than five children . . . . .    | 3                   | 2                 | 5      |                     |                   |        |

TABLE NO. 30.

*Schooling of Placed-Out Children during the Year.*

|                               | BOARDED. | INDENTURED | TOTAL. |
|-------------------------------|----------|------------|--------|
| CHILDREN ATTENDING SCHOOL.    |          |            |        |
| Of age (5-15) . . . . .       | 492      | 62         | 554    |
| Over school age . . . . .     | 17       | 25         | 42     |
| CHILDREN NOT ATTENDING SCHOOL |          |            |        |
| Over school age . . . . .     | 6        | 173        | 179    |
| Under school age . . . . .    | 171      | 5          | 176    |
| Mentally unfit . . . . .      | 3        | ..         | 3      |
| Physically unfit . . . . .    | 1        | ..         | 1      |
| Total . . . . .               | 690      |            | 955    |



TABLE NO. 31.

*Average Number of Visits made to Dependent and Neglected Children during the Year.*

|  |                  |
|--|------------------|
| Total number of children subject to visits (dependent and neglected) . . . . . | 955              |
| Total number of visits made . . . . .  | 3,298            |
| Average number of visits to each child . . . . .                               | 3- $\frac{1}{2}$ |

TABLE NO. 32.

*Distribution of Children on the Rolls of this Department in the Care of other Institutions.*

|  |    |
|--|----|
| Massachusetts Hospital School . . . . .            | 47 |
| Long Island Hospital . . . . .                     | 15 |
| Welcome House . . . . .                            | 1  |
| State Infirmary . . . . .                          | 1  |
| Mattapan Sanatorium . . . . .                      | 3  |
| Westfield Sanatorium . . . . .                     | 2  |
| American School for the Deaf . . . . .             | 1  |
| The Boston School for the Deaf, Randolph . . . . . | 2  |
| Boston City Hospital . . . . .                     | 3  |
| St. Joseph's Industrial School . . . . .           | 5  |
| House of Good Shepherd . . . . .                   | 2  |
| Total . . . . .                                    | 82 |











